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In re Application of:

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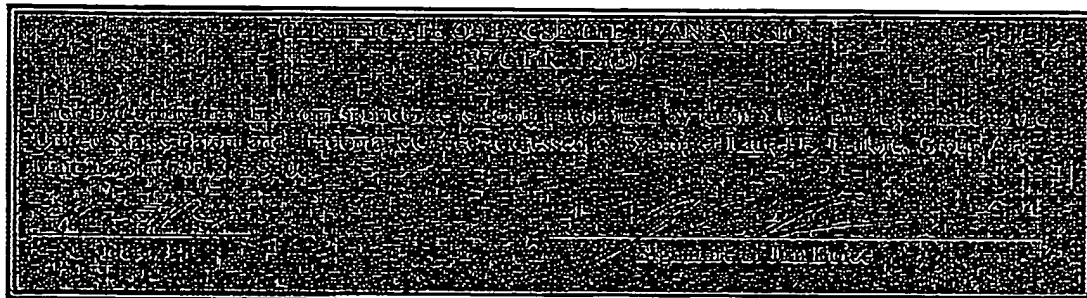
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AMENDMENT A UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111Box Non-Fee Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action dated February 23, 2004, having a shortened statutory period set to expire May 24, 2004.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:



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**CONCLUSION**

Applicants respectfully request a Notice of Allowance for all pending claims.

The present amendment includes a total of six independent claims. Therefore, Applications request that \$258.00 be charged to **IBM CORPORATION DEPOSIT ACCOUNT No. 50-0563** to cover the fee for the extra three independent claims beyond the allotted three. In addition, please charge any fee associated with any other extension of time as well as any other fee necessary to further the prosecution of this application to **IBM CORPORATION DEPOSIT ACCOUNT No. 50-0563**.

Respectfully submitted,



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